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ANNUAL DATA REPORT, FINDINGS AND ACTION PLAN April 2018

- 1. Reference: 28 CFR 115.388 Data Review for Corrective Action.
- 2. The sexual abuse and sexual harassment incident data has been reviewed and the Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment Aggregate Data report has been updated with the calendar year 2017 data.
- 3. The following was noted for the calendar year 2017 data:
 - a. There was one allegation of staff-on-youth sexual abuse (non-contact) that was determined to be Founded.
 - b. There was one allegation of staff-on-youth sexual abuse (contact) that was determined to be Unfounded.
 - c. No resident or staff retaliation was reported or observed regarding the incidents described in Section 3 (a) and (b) of this report.
 - d. In addition, the Denton County Juvenile Probation Department reported one (1) allegation of staff-on-youth sexual abuse and one (1) allegation of youth-on-youth sexual harassment to other residential facilities for investigation as required by 28 CFR 115.363 (Reporting to Other Confinement Facilities).
 - 4. CORRECTIVE ACTION: The Founded allegation of sexual abuse (non-contact) required a review by the Sexual Abuse Response Team and the following corrective action was taken by the Team:
 - The Resident Orientation Manual for detention and the post-adjudication resident handbook were revised in the sections that discuss the ways facility residents can minimize their risk for victimization.
 - b. The orientation manual and handbook provided guidance regarding resident-toresident interactions that could increase the risk for victimization, but did not provide sufficient guidance to residents about staff behaviors that could also increase such risk.
 - c. The revisions to the orientation manual and handbook now clearly inform residents to:
 - i. Avoid sharing personal matters with a staff member who does not have a need to know such as part of their job duties;
 - ii. Never accept gifts or favors from a staff member;
 - iii. Never give gifts to or do favors for a staff member; and
 - iv. Be cautious of staff who attempt to be overly friendly, try to prevent a resident from interacting with other residents or staff, repeatedly show interest in a resident's personal matters, or want to share their personal matters with a resident.

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- 5. Progress in the Prevention of, Detection of, and Response to Sexual Abuse and Sexual Harassment:
 - The facility is certified as compliant with the National Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) Standards for Juvenile Facilities as of December 1, 2015.
 - b. The facility continues to provide PREA training to all facility staff, contractors, volunteers, interns and probation staff who have contact with residents.
 - c. Department administrators continue to conduct unannounced rounds across all facility shifts and have increased the frequency with which the rounds occur.
 - d. The facility investigates all allegations of sexual abuse/sexual harassment.
 - The facility will undergo its next PREA compliance audit in calendar year 2018.

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